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KASTURBA GANDHI DIES IN DETENTION

Churchill Warns Optimists

End Of War Not Yet In Sight: Hitler Rushing Reinforcements For Defence Of Bridgehead

WESTMINSTER, Feb. 22.

Prime Minister Churchill was greeted with tremendous cheers when he began his speech in the Commons to-day.

He said: "This is no time for sorrow or rejoicing. It is time for preparation, effort and resolve. The war is still going on. I have never taken the view that the end of the war in Europe is at hand or that Hitler is about to collapse and I have certainly given no guarantee or even held out any expectation that the year 1944 will see the end of the European war. Nor have I given any guarantee the other way.

NAZI STRENGTH

Mr. Churchill said: On the whole my information—and I have a good deal—goes to show that Hitler and his police are still in full control and that the Nazis and their generals have decided to hang together (laughter).

The strength of the German army is about 300 Divisions though many of these are substantially reduced in numbers. The fighting quality of the troops is high. The German General Staff system, which he failed to liquidate after the last war, represents an order comprising many thousands of highly trained officers and a school or doctrine of unbroken continuity.

It possesses great skill both in the handling of troops in action and in their rapid movement from place to place. The recent fighting in Italy should leave no doubt on these points.

It is true that the results of our bombing have had a noteworthy effect on the German munitions production. In the people they have produced a dull apathy, which also affects the munitions, production and all A.R.P. services.

SOVIET EFFORT

The splendid victories of our Soviet Ally on the Eastern Front are inflicting immense losses upon the enemy. The fact that so many of enemy divisions have been drawn into Italy and into Yugoslavia, while other large bodies of his troops are held in France and the Low countries by the fear of invasion has been a help to these victories.

BRITAIN'S PART IN WAR

It is far from my wish to make any boastful statement about the part which this island is playing in the war. It has, however, been borne upon me that the interests of the Alliance.

As a whole may be prejudiced, if its other members are left in ignorance of the British share in the great events which are unfolding. The Dominions also have a right to know that the mother country is playing its part. I think it is, therefore, my duty to state a few facts which are perhaps not generally realised. For instance since January 1, 1943 upto the present time—middle of February—ships of the Royal Navy and aircraft of the Royal Air Force—that is to say forces of the mother country only—have sunk more than half the U-Boats of which we have certain proof in the shape of living prisoners.

They have also destroyed 40 percent of a very large number of other U-Boats of which either corpses or fragments provide a definite evidence of destruction. Again on the naval side, apart from enemy U-Boats we have sunk by British action along since January 1, 1943 19 enemy warships and also a large number of E-Boats, escort vessels, minesweepers and other auxiliaries. British action has been predominantly responsible for sinking during this priod 316 merchantships aggregating 835,000 tons.

CASUALTIES

In that same period 7,676 officers and men of the Royal Navy and about 4,200 Merchant Navy officers and men have lost their lives in British ships. This last, however, does not at all represent the total war sacrifice to date of our merchant seamen, because matters have improved very much lately. Since the beginning of the war, the proportion of merchant seamen hailing from these islands alone who have been lost at sea on their vital duty has been about one-fifth of the average number engaged in this service. The total personnel of officers and men of the Royal Navy lost since the war started in just over 30 per cent of its pre-war strength, figures being 41,000 killed out of 133,000 which was its total strength on the outbreak of the war.

Since January 1, 1943, ships of the Royal Navy have bombarded the enemy coast on 716 occasions. In the same period, we have lost in action or had disabled for more than one year-serious disablements—95 ships of war.

BOMBING OF BERLIN

Turning to air, the honour of bombing Berlin has fallen almost entirely to us. Up to the present, we have delivered the main attack upon Germany.

BRITAIN'S AIR LOSSES

Excluding Dominion and Allied squadrons working with the Royal Air Force, British Islands have lost 38,300 pilots and aircrews killed and 10,400 missing and over 10,000 aircraft since the beginning of the war. They have made nearly 900,000 sorties in the North European theatre. As far the army, the British Army was little more than a police force in 1939, yet it has fought in every part of the world.

As a result of enormous transportations across the Atlantic which have been made during 1943, the United States bomber force in this island now begins to surpass our own and will soon be substantially greater still, I rejoice to say.

FOUR GREAT RAIDS ON GERMANY

The efforts of the two forces fit well together, and according to all past standards each effort is in itself prodigious. During the 48 hours beginning at 3-0 hours on February 20th, four great raids were made upon Germany.

Taken together these four raids in which over 9,000 tons of bombs were dropped on Germany by the two Allies constituted the most violent attack yet made upon Germany.

We look for a great restriction and dislocation of the entire German munitions supply no matter how far the factories are withdran

The proper course for German civilians and non-combatants to take is to quit the centres of munitions production and take refuse in the countryside (hear hear).

BOMBING PRIORITIES

An elaborate scheme of bombing priorities upon which a large band of highly skilled American and British officers are constantly at work in accordance with the directions of the combined chiefs of staff in Washington has governed our action for some time past. It is continually kept upto date.

Every opportunity is and will be sought by us to force the enemy to expend and exhaust his fighter aircraft strength. Our production of aircraft—fighters and bombers—judged by every possible test already far exceeds the Germans. The Russian production is about equal to ours and the American production alone is double or treble the German production.

PROGRESS IN ITALY

I shall not moralise further than to say that there is strange and stern justice in the long swing of events. Our other great joint Anglo-American offensive is in Italy. Many people have been disappointed with the progress there since the capture of Naples in October. This has been due to extremely bad weather which marks the winter in a supposedly sunshine land and which this year has been worse than usual. Secondly and far more it is because the Germans bit by bit have been drawn into Italy and have decided to make extreme exertions for the retention of the City of Rome.

ROME'S DEFENCES

Hitler has apparently resolved to defend Rome with the same obstinacy which he showed at Stalingrad, in Tunisia and recently in the Dnieper Bend. No fewer than seven extra German divisions were brought rapidly down from France, from Northern Italy and from Yugoslavia and a determined attempt has been made to destroy the bridgehead and drive us into the sea.

General Alexander says that the bitterness and fierceness of the fighting now going on both in the bridgehead and on the Cassino front surpasses all his previous experience.

On broad grounds of strategy, Hitler's decision to send into the south of Italy as many as 18 divisions involving with their maintenance troops probably something like half a million Germans and his decision there in Italy to make a large second-army front is not unwelcome to the Allies. We must fight the Germans somewhere in this war unless we are to stand still and watch the Russians. This wearing battle in Italy occupies troops which cannot be employed in other greater operations and it is an effective prelude to them.

SOVIET CAPTURE KRIVOI ROG

MOSCOW, Feb. 22: It is officially announced that Krivoi Rog has been captured.

Krivoi Rog, the last important German stronghold in the eastern Dnieper bend is also the last of the original resistance centres from which the Germans tried to hold up the Russian drive into western Ukraine after their forcing of the Dnieper crossing.

This stronghold has held out against Russian pressure for four months.—Reuter.

LONDON, Feb. 22.

The German News Agency reported to-day that a very strong earthquake lasting six seconds occurred in Western Anatolia in Turkey at mid-night last night.

A further light shock occurred one hour later at Samsun which is a port in the middle of the Turkish Black Sea Coast.—Reuter.

Nation Shares Mahatma's Sorrow

True Embodiment Of Indian Womanhood: "Subordinated Her Own Feelings To Further Freedom's Cause Embodied In Her Husband's Lifework"

BOMBAY, February 22.

The Government of Bombay has issued the following Communique: "The Government of Bombay regrets to announce that Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi passed away at 7-35 p. m. to-day at the Aga Khan Palace, Poona".–

POONA, Feb. 22.—Mahatma Gandhi, Hiralal and Devadas, Mahatma Gandhi's eldest and youngest sons, Hiralal's daughter, who is Kasturba's favourite grand daughter and another lady relative of the Gandhi family were among those who were by the side of Kasturba during her last moments.

It is understood that the funeral will take place to-morrow morning.

A TRUE SATI

Born in the year 1860 and married at the early age of 12, Shrimati Kasturba Gandhi, whose death in detention has just been announced, typified in herself the ancient Hindu ideal of a 'Sati'.

Although she had been the faithful consort of a man whose life has been lived almost entirely in public and for the public, Mrs. Gandhi was so retiring in her disposition that very little is known of her earlier career. Not that she was not a valiant participator in the fights in manifold causes which her great husband espoused, nor that her work in and by itself was negligible. For all those who came into direct contact with her and felt the glow of her loving care and kind attention she was the unforgettable mother, 'Ba', as they affectionately called her.

Some measure of how much she had endeared herself to her countrymen was to be had in the storm of angry protest, which broke out when the bumptious representative of a British paper put out a yarn some months ago about her having been obliged to walk on foot from Victoria Terminus to Birla House.

The Mahatma was a stern and exacting husband. He has frankly confessed in his autobiography that he had been once a "jealous husband." It was no fault of Kasturba Gandhi that she could not keep pace with her volcanic husband who moved from pinnacle to pinnacle in giant strides She could not so easily outlive her orthodox environment and upbringing as her tempestuous husband. The climax of the conflict came in a memorable incident in Durban, South Africa. The Mahatma insisted on her emptying the 'slops' of an untouchable guest. And when her orthodox soul revolted against this ignominy, the husband angrily thrust her out of the house. "Where am I to go? I have neither parents nor any relatives to harbour me" she cried in agonised accents. The Mahatma was shamed and then realised the enormity of his unjust and unreasonable treatment of her. His whole attitude and his conduct towards her underwent a change after this.

She had repeatedly courted arrest and had gone to jail, as often as if not oftener than her illustrious husband.

Of all the suffering and agony she had had to undergo in her life, there was, perhaps, nothing so agonising as her being called upon frequently to attend on her husband during his many fasts. Even of these no experience could have been so excruciatingly painful as her being a helpless witness during the Mahatma's 21 days' fast last February. And till that auspicious moment when she handed him the small glass of orange juice which ended his fast she must have prayed a thousand times to God that she might be spared what a Hindu wife dreads most—widowhood. And now true to her prayers and her faith she passed away in the sight of her lord and master, the man whom she had followed all her life like his very shadow.

MALAVIYA'S CONDOLENCES

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 22.

Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya has sent the following telegram to Mahatma Gandhi care of Home Department, Government of Bombay:—

"Deeply grieved hear Ba has passed away. Matter for sincere thankfulness she has departed "Sowbhagyavati" a thing our women pray for. Country shares your sorrow. Malaviya".—A. P.

TRUE EMBODIMENT OF INDIAN WOMANHOOD

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai said:—

"Ba's death is an event of the greatest sadness to the country. She has left a void which it will be impossible to fill. Her silent but effective work for the emancipation of India is only next to that of Bapu Her humility and self-effacement are the best expression of our ways of life and thought. She was the embodiment of all that is finest and noblest in Indian womanhood. Our solace lies in our conviction that Bapu has this strength and faith to sustin him in this his greatest ordeal of his life."

Mrs. Hansa Mehta said: "Gandhiji has lost a devoted wife and India one who was a real embodiment of Indian womanhood."

LIKE MOTHER TO ALL

Mrs. Perinben Captain said:—

"She was like a mother to all of us. She was so simple and sincere. It would be very difficult to find one like her. Words fail me to express my feelings."

Mrs. Urmilaben Mehta, General Secretary of the All-India Women's Conference, said:—

"India has lost a great woman. It is difficult to express one's feelings when one remembers her devotion not only to Mahatma Gandhi but to the cause to which they are dedicated. India mourns with Bapu the death of Kasturba."

"PEDESTAL TO CLIMB HIGHER"

Dr. M. R. Jayakar said:—

"Mahadeo Desai first, then Kasturba; one sorrow after another; Government are lending unforeseen sanctity to prison life. Years ago, when I knew Mahatma well he used to regard sorrow as a purification. If this is still his view these afflictions are so many pedestals placed in his path to climb higher and higher."

'HEAVY BLOW TO GANDHIJI"

Mr. Osman Sobani said:—

"I am over-whelmed at the sad news. Her death is a great loss to Indian womanhood. Those who have known both Mahatmaji and Kasturba would pray that Gandhiji will have the strength to bear the heavy blow that has been struck while in prison."

WORLD SYMPATHY WILL GO OUT TO MAHATMA

Sir Purushotamdas Thakurdas said:—

"I am sure the world sympatny will go out to Mahatmaji in his sad loss in jail."

"TRUE COMRADE"

Mr. K. M. Munshi said:—

"Kasturba's death removes from us the noblest woman of modern times. A true comrade of Gandhiji, a heroic soul, who lived that he may fulfil his flaming mission in life, she was, like Sita and Savitri, epic in her single-minded self-surrender to her husband. To Gandhiji, strong as he is beyond the measure of man, her death is a blow. We who loved her as a mother feel the loss of the motherless."

Mrs. Lilawati Munshi said:

"Gandhiji lost a life's companion and the nation a mother. She was a brave woman without showing it, and a great woman without knowing it."

City Mayor's Tribute

Mr. M. R. Masani, Mayor of Bombay, when informed of the sad news said:—

"Kasturba Gandhi's greatness lay in her self-effacement. She was content to subordinate her own feelings and desires to furthering the cause of Indian freedom embodied in her husband's life-work.

"Our hearts go out to our great national leader in his loss which is all the more grievous because of his enforced isolation and I know that the citizens would like me, on their behalf, to extend to Mahatma Gandhi their respectful condolences."

INSIDE THE AGA KHAN'S PALACE

(From Our Correspondent.)

POONA, Tuesday (By Phone).

All was quiet at the gate of the Aga Khan Palace this evening when a tragedy was taking place inside.

Col. Bhandari, Inspector-General of Prisons, was seen returning from the Palace at 6-30 p.m.

At 7-50 p.m. however, he was seen rushing back to the Palace.

All relatives of Gandhiji who had gone to the Palace at noon did not come out till evening

Kasturba has gone after a married life-partnership of over 62 years.

The last person to rush to the bedside of Kasturba was her only brother Mr. Madhavlal Gokuldas.

Col. Bhandari stayed at the Aga Khan's Palace till 11 p.m.

Lady Premlila Thakersey, Mr. Shantikumar Moorarji and Swami Anand were permitted to be in the Palace till 11 p.m.

It is understood Kasturba was unconscious during the whole day. Her pulse was also feebie and she showed signs of collapse in the morning.

To-day is Mahashivratra day and exactly one year after the day of crisis (Feb. 21) which Mahatmaji passed during his 21-day fast last year.

HUQ'S CONDOLENCES

CALCUTTA, Feb. 22: Condoling the death of Mrs. Gandhi, Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq, ex-Premier of Bengal in a message to the Associated Press said: "We were prepared for the worst, but we never thought that our Mother would pass away so suddenly. Personally, I am so shocked that I cannot collect my thoughts to make a statement expressing my feelings. It is a calamity which has darkened every Indian home."

Gandhiji's Sorrow Shared By Whole Nation

Mr. S. A. Brelvi, President of All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference, says: "Kasturba's death is the greatest personal loss Gandhiji has suffered. Coming as it does so soon after Mahadev Desai's death, the blow is too overwhelming for words. Our hearts go out to Gandhiji, whose sorrow is shared by the whole nation."

Mr. G. L. Mehta, ex-President of the Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce, says:—

"The circumstances surrounding Kasturba Gandhi's passing away add poignancy to our grief. Kasturba was a life-long companion and helpmate to her eminent husband and devoted herself wholly to his work and his cause. She had so completely identified herself with Gandhiji that her demise is as much the nation's loss as of her family's. It is a national tragedy that Gandhiji will have to bear this loss in his present loneliness all by himself and the people who revere and love him can only convey their deep condolences in silence."

"BEAR THE CROSS WITH FORTITUDE."

Dr. B. C. Roy said: "Throughout his eventful life through joy and suffering Gandhiji has had Kasturba at his side giving him single-minded devotion and silent comradeship. Gandhiji is a man of God. He will, I am convinced, bear the cross with fortitude and calmness because it is God's will."

SAPRU ON KASTURBA'S DEATH

ALLAHABAD Feb 23: Hearing the news of the death of Mrs. Gandhi Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru said: "I am extremely sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi, the devoted wife of Mahatma Gandhi. The circumstances in which she has died will add to the poignancy of the grief among her family, her relatives, her friends and her countrymen. I have no doubt that the Mahatma will bear the loss—irreparable as it is—with that spirit of philosophic calm and resignation which is characteristic of him."—A. P.

CHIANG'S CONDOLENCE FOR VIJAYALAXMI

NEW DELHI, Feb. 22.

Generalismo Chiang-kai-shek and Madame Chiang have also sent a letter expressing deep sympathy and sorrow to Mrs. Vijayalaxmi Pandit in her bereavement.—United Press.

Allies Regain Height In Arakan

BUT JAPANESE STIFFEN RESISTANCE ON MAIN FRONT

NEW DELHI, Feb. 22.

During February 21 our troops continued dispersing the Japanese force on the Arakan Front and have recaptured the high ground point 1070 which overlooks the western section of the Ngakyedauk Pass, says today's Allied 'communique' issued by Headquarters, South-East Asia Command. The position was occupied after severe fighting in which a considerable number of Japanese were cut off and driven out to the west on to the lower slopes where they are suffering severe casualties. The remainder of the Pass has been almost entirely cleared of the enemy, but he is resisting fiercely on the positions he still holds.

Strong patrols including tanks and carriers have been mopping up Japanese in the 7th Indian division area and have rounded up several small parties of exhausted enemy

RAIDING PARTY CUT UP

Further to the north the remnants of the raiding party from the Bawli Road were further cut up when they attempted to continue their withdrawal to the east and hand to hand fighting in which British and Gurkas participated resulted in casualties to the enemy and the capture of some mules

The enemy shows some signs of stiffening up on the main front along the Maungdaw-Buthidaung Road.

In the Chin Hills activity increased to the north of Fort White.

In the Atwin Yomas minor clashes with the enemy have occurred and active offensive patrolling continues.

CHINESE CONTINUE PROGRESS

In the Hukawng Valley the Chinese continue to make progress against somewhat stiffer enemy resistance, and occupied La-awan ga six miles east of Taipha ga on February 21.

South of Sumprabum on the Myitkyina Road our forces have carried out two more successful ambushes during the last few days. These encounters have resulted in comparatively heavy casualties being inflicted on the Japanese and the dispersal of the columns concerned.

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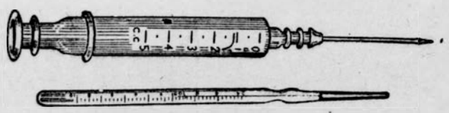

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The offer is due to the impression created by the D.Sc. thesis of D. N. Solanki a pupil of Dr. Joshi. Prof. Niederl cabling his secommendation for the award of the D.Sc. waiving his examiner's remuneration writes to Dr. S. S. Joshi:

"In regard to the Doctorate thesis of Dr. D N. Solanki, permit me to congratulate both of you for the excellence of the work. I would like to ask you to permit me to keep Dr. Solanki's thesis and turn it over to the Library of our University. I am showing this thesis to my students as an outstanding accomplishment of the East in general and of India in particular."

The above Fellowship has been given to Mr. D. Subba Rao a brilliant pupil of Dr. Joshi, for advanced Chemical Research at the New York University.

Bengal's Worst Days Ahead

Swami Sambuddhananda, President, Ramakrishna Mission Ashram, Khar, writes as follows:—

For the last one month or more conflicting statements with regard to the real condition of Bengal of to-day have been appearing in the press all over India. The ministers of the present cabinet of Bengal have left no stone unturned to convince the public that the condition has decidedly much improved and there is no apprehension of any further crisis in the province. Statements have also been issued by other parties contradicting all that the Bengal Cabinet have stated.

With a view to place before the public a true picture of the province the Ramakrishna Mission which has been working over an extensive area covering as many as 25 towns and thousands of villages for the last ten months, has been securing statements from almost all the villages of Bengal. The information that has reached us from most of the centres in different parts of Bengal declares unequivocally that "the worst days are ahead."

As there is no practical improvement of the condition of people and the price of articles of food and clothing has not yet been brought down to reasonable rates, the people apprehend a greater crisis from April next. The public of Bombay which has so generously responded to the appeal of Bengal hither-to-fore can well imagine the tragic moment which is so fast approaching.

The Work of the Ramakrishna Mission is still going on in some form or other and will be carried on more vigorously than ever if sufficient funds be forthcoming for the work which it has undertaken. I, therefore, appeal fervently to the general public of Bombay to continue to contribute their quota to the Ramakrishna Mission Relief Fund for the suffering millions of Bengal as usual. Any contributions sent to the Ramakrishna Mission, Khar, Bombay, will be most thankfully acknowledged.

Song Recital In Aid Of Bengal Destitutes

Though the famine in Bengal is claimed to be all but finished, millions of destitutes still require help in many ways. Hundreds of women have become widows, thousands of children have lost their parents. Among the survivors are the disabled, and under-nourishment is almost universal.

Mrs. Bhikoo Mehta, pupil of the Italian maestro Professor Savini, will give a song recital in aid of the Bengal Relief Fund at 6-30 p.m. on Monday the 28th of February at Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall. The tickets are priced at Rs. 10/-, 7/-, 5/-, 3/-, 2/- and 1/-, which are available at S. Rose & Co., Rampart Row, Fort, and at L. M. Furtado & Co., Kalbadevi Road, Dhobitalao. The very interesting programme includes Aria from "La Traviata", 'Lo Hear the Gentle Lark' with flute obligato 'Depuis le jour' from "Louise", the 'Voices of Spring' waltz and other beautiful songs by classical and romantic composers. Donations are invited from the public to enable Mrs. Mehta to offer a handsome amount to the cause of Bengal Relief. These may be sent to Mrs. Bhikoo S. Mehta, c/o Mr. Dadabhoy Motiwalla, Joshi House, Cumballa Hill Bombay.

Jowhar State Rice For Gujerat And C. I.

(From Our Correspondent.)

DAHANU, Feb. 21.

It appears from a notice issued by the District Magistrate Thana that Jawhar State is permitted to export 50,000 bags of table rice to Gujrat and Central India. Two new rice mills at Karado on the Dahanu Jawhar Road and two at Kudan attached to the Vada Palghar road have started to unhusk paddy. These mill-owners are making their purchases in State territory.

The controlled rate in Jawhar State is 50 per cent higher than that in Thana District. The merchants and Zamindars are therefore removing paddy from British territory to Jawhar State to get 50 per cent higher rates.

This smuggling is very difficult if not impossible to control as the State and British territories are interwoven.

Governor Visits Hattersley Mill

PURSES PRESENTED FOR RED CROSS WEEK

His Excellency Sir John Colville, Governor of Bombay, visited the Hattersley Mill, Ghatkopar, on Monday. His Excellency was received at the gate by Mr. Behram N. Karanjia, General Manager of the Mill. His Excellency was conveyed to the specially erected Pavilion where he was introduced to the distinguished gentlemen who were present.

His Excellency was shown samples of important war materials produced in the mill, chief among them being parachutes, navy white and blue belts, tapes, Webbings, etc.

His Excellency then proceeded to the inside departments of the Mill, viz., Mechanic, Dyeing, Hank Winding, Weft Winding, Warping and Weaving, Making-up and Packing. His Excellency evinced keen interest in all that he saw.

His Excellency was presented with a purse for the "Red Cross Week" by each Department and also by the General Manager on his behalf and on behalf of the staff.

His Excellency was then entertained to a tea party.

MODASA EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY SILVER JUBILEE

On the suggestion of Modasa Mandal, a Conference of the Modasa High School Students will be called to discuss plans for the Silver Jubilee of the Modasa Educational Society. Detailed information will be available from Mr. N. Butala, Sonawalla Building 5, Block 5, Tardeo, Bombay 7.

"SWANLAKE" IN HINDU 'NATYA' TECHNIQUE

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.

With the production of Tchaikovsky's "Swanlake" in Hindu Natya technique, American audiences, perhaps for the first time in the history of dancing, have witnessed a performance of classical western ballet interpreted wholly through the ancient dance idiom of India. The usual translation was made by Lameri, the well-known American exponent of Natya who admitted that conservative balletomanes "will probably tear me limb from limb" but he declared: "I produced 'Swanlake' in traditional Hindu style to show that the technique of Hindu 'natya'—far from being limited in expression, as some people say—is capable of depicting with startling vividness and clarity all the phases of the well-known western ballet. In fact, it is my firm belief that Hindu dance surpasses the possibilities of western ballet itself; yet from beginning to end I have not introduced into the production any movement or posture that has not been known and used in India since the time centuries ago they were first classified and defined in palmleaf manuscripts."

The first presentation of Lameri's programme set off a heated debate among critics, some holding that the 'natya' interpretation is "a profanation" of the 'petipas' traditional choreography and others that the Hindu, technique is easily as aesthetic as Pirouette's and Leap's in the 'petipas' original.

The "New York Daily News" critic called the Hindu style "headwagging fingertip language", but the "Dance News" reviewer called it "an experiment well worth the effort and certainly most interesting to observe".

The full programme included classical Indian dances representative of all parts of India.

Lameri is the author of the book "Pictures of Hindu Dance" published by the Columbia University. He has spent much time in India, studying the part of 'natya shastra'.—Reuter.

Tenders For Purchase Of Food Grains

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.
(From Our Correspondent)

I understand the Government of India will shortly introduce the system of tenders for purchase of foodgrains in place of buying through their agents. This is in response to the persistent demands made inside and outside the legislature.

I understand that the Neimeyer award will shortly be amended for the purpose of giving effect to new deal with Sind Government under which in consideration of a specified sum in cash the Central Government would forego the subvention paid to that province by the Centre.

DYES AND CHEMICALS CONTROL ORDER

NEW DELHI, Feb. 22: A Press Note says: An amendment to the Cotton Textiles (Dyes and Chemicals) Control Order issued to-day extends the period during which dealers in dyes and chemicals may trade without a licence from the Textile Commissioner till February 29, 1944.—A. P.

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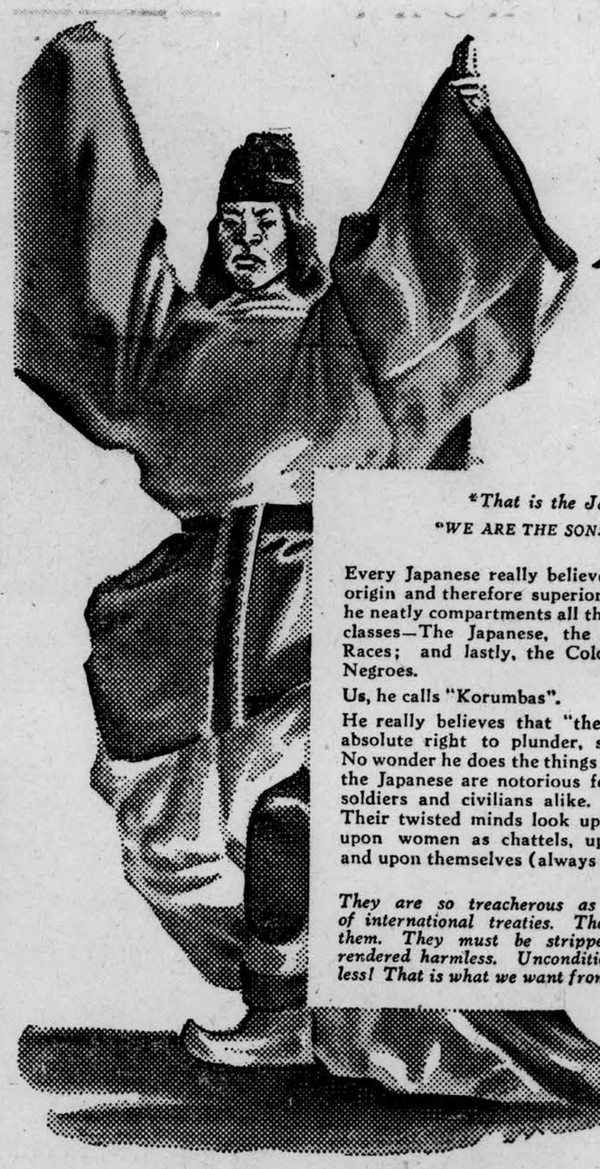

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Us, he calls "Korumbas".

He really believes that "the Chosen People" have an absolute right to plunder, steal, ravage and terrorise. No wonder he does the things you read about. No wonder the Japanese are notorious for their dreadful cruelty to soldiers and civilians alike. For they are barbarians! Their twisted minds look upon human life as valueless, upon women as chattels, upon treachery as diplomacy and upon themselves (always remember) as sacred.

They are so treacherous as to be beyond the processes of international treaties. There is only one way to treat them. They must be stripped of all their power and rendered harmless. Unconditional surrender, and nothing less! That is what we want from them.

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*WEDNESDAY, 23rd Feb. 6-30 p.m. TAGORE MUSIC. LECTURE By Dr. Amiya Chakrabarty." "Internationalism and Rabindranath."

*THURSDAY, 24th Feb. 6-30 p.m. TAGORE MUSIC. LECTURE By Prof. A. S. Ayyub. "Theory of Beauty and Rabindranath."

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CONGRESS SWEEPS POLL IN GUJARAT

Municipal And District Local Board Elections

SURAT, Feb. 22.

The Congress Party has secured a majority of seats in all the Municipalities and District Local Board elections in Gujarat for which nomination papers have been filed.

According to figures available, the Congress has secured 14 out of the 18 non-Muslim seats in Viramgham Municipality, 30 out of 40 non-Muslim seats in Surat Municipality (two seats were kept vacant for the Parsees), 37 out of 52 in Ahmedabad Municipality. In the Ahmedabad District Local Board, 36 seats out of the 47 non-Muslim seats have gone uncontested to the Congress, in Panch Mahals District Local Board 25 out of 29 (Congress candidates did not stand for three seats) and in the Kaira District Local Board 33 out of 38 non-Muslim seats.

Nomination papers for the Surat District Local Board elections will be filed during the first week of March.

While in Godhra it is stated that the Congress secured uncontested all the non-Muslim seats and subsequently resigned en bloc.

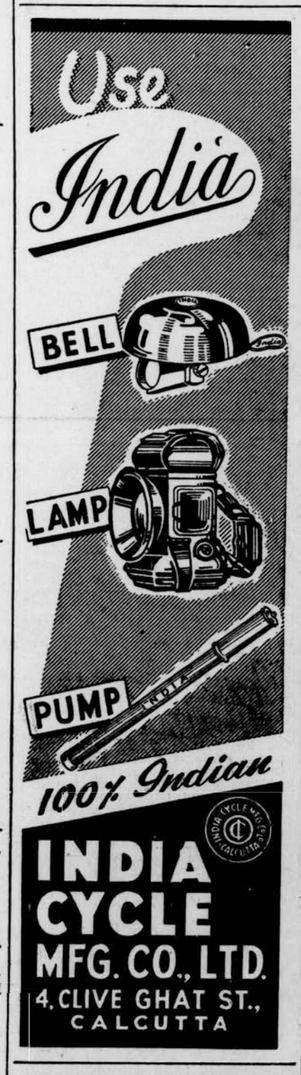
In Nadiad Municipal elections the official Congress Party did not participate, but individual Congressmen stood and have secured a majority of the seats.—A. P.

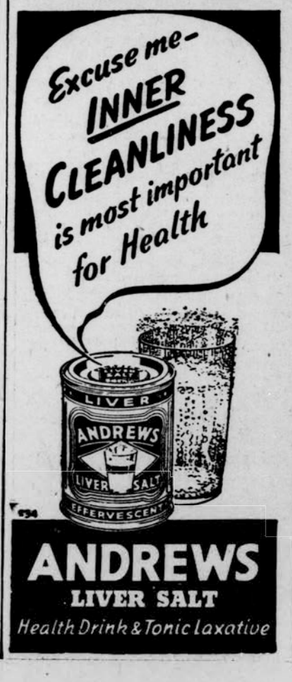
Mahashivratri In Bombay

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Chowpatty sands to-day presented a picturesque sight owing to the celebration of Maha Shivratri holiday. Thousands of Hindus, men, women and children went to Chowpatty for the morning "dip" into the sea. The rush of the people was so great that special police arrangement had to be made to regulate traffic. The banks, police courts, High Court and commercial offices were closed for the day.

Mahashivratri is dedicated to the worship of Shiva, the "Destroyer" among the Hindu trinity. A complete fast is observed both day and night as also a vigil. The Shiv Linga is wirshipped at night with offerings of "Ketaki" flowers and "Bel" (wood apple) leaves.





CITY AND SUBURBS

TO-DAY

Hindu: Magh Vad 14, 2000.
Muslim: Safar 27, 1363.
Parsi: Shehrever 22, 1313.
Sunrise: 8-4 a.m. Sunset: 7-40 p.m.
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Municipal Standing Committee 2-30 p.m. (B. T.).

To-day's Engagements

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Question and Answer Meeting. Jehangir Wadia Building, Flora Fountain, to-day, 6.15 p.m.

THE BOMBAY THEOSOPHICAL FEDERATION: Mr. Mohd. Umar Visharadh, Ibadullah Giyani and Abdul Malik, nephews of late Ali Brothers will lecture in Hindustani in the Besant Hall, Blavalsky Lodge, French Bridge, Chowpatty, to-day (Wednesday), at 6-30 p.m., on "Hindu-Muslim Unity possible in India. Mr. K. M Munshi will preside.

TAGORE WEEK: To-day, 6-30 p.m. Talk by Dr. Amiya Chakravarty, on "Internationalism and Tagore". Framji Cawasji Institute, Dhobi Talao. Mr. M. R. Masani, the Mayor of Bombay will preside.

HINDU DEEN DAYA SANGH: The Hindu Deen Daya Sangh has secured donations for their Hindu Foundling Home Matunga, amounting to Rupees 720-0-9 during January 1944.

RED ARMY DAY: Under the auspices of the Bolshevik Party of India, Bombay Committee, the Red Army Day will be observed, at 8-30 p.m., to-day, in the party office at 37-A, Lohar Chawl, Wanji Wadi, Mahim.

GATHA SOCIETY: A public meeting of the Society, in the Library Hall of the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, Apollo Street, to-day, at 6 p.m. (S. T.), when Mr. Behramgore Tehmuras Anklesaria, will explain strophas 4 and 5 of the Gatha Vohu Khshathra (Yasn Ha 51).

PUBLIC ADDRESS to Mr. Noronha the Chief Judge of the Small Causes Court to-day, at 6-15 p.m. C. J. Hall.

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE: To-day (Wednesday), at 6-15 p.m., at Mazdaznan Hall, opp. Churchgate Station, on "Afringan Prayers, their meaning and explanation."

FRIENDS OF SOVIET UNION: In celebration of the Red Army Day meeting at the Nappoo Gardens, Matunga at 9 p.m. Poet Harindranath will preside and Dr. Chakravarty and Syt Mohan Kumarmanglam will speak on the occasion.

NEW B. P. W. C. PRESIDENT

Mrs S. R. Dongerkerry was elected President of the Bombay Presidency Women's Council for the ensuing year at the annual general meeting of that body last Saturday.

Bombay Medical Congress

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The second session of the Bombay Medical Congress concluded at the Cowasji Jehangir Hall yesterday after eminent medical men had read 14 papers connected with pathology, radiology, opthalmology and allied subject. Doctors who contributed their share to the technical papers included Lt.-Col S S Sokhey, Dr V R Khanolker, Dr K P Mody, Dr Athle, Dr M D Joshi, Col. Sir J N Duggan, Dr S N Cooper, Dr Sarkar, Lt.-Col. Jelal M Shah, Lt.-Col Prebble, Dr P C Bharucha, Brigtdier McAlpine Dr R J Vakil, Dr D H Dudha.

All-India Association Of Physicians

Rao Bahadur Dr. M. R. Guruswamy Mudaliar, M.D., and A. Sreenivasan, M.R.C.P., Mylapore, Madras, in the course of a public statement plead for the formation of an All-India Association of Physicians. They observe. "It is of advantage to have a forum in which to exchange and discuss ideas and experiences of value to our branch of the profession. The War has given a fillip to research in the means and methods of treatment of many diseases; and at the termination of it there will be to the credit of medical knowledge a considerable volume of data which we should take advantage of. The Surgeons and Gynaecologists have already organised themselves successfully. All those with whom we have discussed the subject of an Association of Physicians have welcomed the idea with enthusiasm."

FEDERATION OF INDIAN CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

NEW DELHI, Feb. 22.

The Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry will hold its annual session in New Delhi on Saturday and Sunday, March 4 and 5, under the chairmanship of Kumararajah Sir Muthiah Chettiar of Chettinad.

A resolution urging the release of political prisoners is the first item on the agenda. Other subjects on which resolutions are tabled relate to Post-War Reconstruction the Bombay Industrialists' Plan, Food, the Post-War Position of Industries established during the war, Coal, the Pharmaceutical and Drug Industry, Industrial Development and Taxation of Industries, Civil Aviation, etc.

The Committee of the Federation will hold their meeting in New Delhi on Friday, March 3, to consider the budget proposals of the Government of India and to express their views thereon.

The All India Organisation of Industrial Employers will hold its annual session in New Delhi on Sunday, March 5, under the chairmanship of Lala Karamchand Thapar. The Indian National Committee of the International Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual session in the afternoon on Saturday, March 4.—A. P.

LEAGUE EXECUTIVE

NEW DELHI, Feb. 22.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah, president of the All-India Muslim League has nominated the following members of the Working Committee of the All-India Muslim League for the current year: (1) Sardar Bakht Jamal Khan, (N.W.F.P.). (2) Sardar Mohamed Aurangzeb Khan (N.W.F.P.), (3) Mr. G. M. Syed (Sind), (4) Khan Bahadur Mohamed Auyb Khuhro (Sind), (5) Nawab Iftikhar Husain Khan Punjab, (6) Mr. Shaikh Karamat Ali (Punjab), (7) Mr. Miam Bashir Ahmed (Punjab), (8) Mr. Ismail Ibrahim Chundrigar (Bombay), (9) Mr. Syed Abdul Rauf Shah (C.P.), Begum Moulana Mohamedali Saheba, (11) Choudhry Khaliquzzaman Saheb (U. P.), (12) Nawab Mohamed Ismail Khan (U.P.), (13) Raja Mohamed Amir Ahmed Khan of Mahmudabad (U.P.), (14) Moulvi Latifur Rehman (Bihar), 15 Hon'ble Mr. Husain Imam (Bihar), (17) Hon'ble Abdul Matin Choudhry (Assam), (17) Hon'ble Sir K. Nazimuddin (Bengal), (18) Mr.. Hassan Ispahani (Bengal), (19) Moulana Mohamed Akram Khan (Bengal), (20) Haji Abdus Sattar Haji Eshak Seth, (Madras), (21) Mr.. Qazi Mohamed Isa (Baluchistan).—A. P.

IMPORT LICENSES FOR CHEMICALS

Indian Merchants' Chamber Protest Against Proposed Change In Procedure

"The following telegram, dated 18th inst., has been addressed by the Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, to the Government of India, Departments of Commerce and Supply, New Delhi:

"Committee Indian Merchants' Chamber are given to understand that Government contemplate laying down new procedure for grant of licenses for imports of chemicals like Hydrosulphite of Soda and Zinc Chloride, whereunder imports will be permitted only through accredited representatives of manufacturers. It appears that a proposal to that effect was recently discussed between the representatives of the import trade in chemicals and officials connected with the Textile Control Board.

If any such changed procedure is contemplated, Committee wish to draw the serious attention of Government to the fact that the same would involve an injustice to established Indian importers inasmuch as the import trade would come to be canalised in mainly one or two non-Indian agencies. Any such development would be extremely undesirable, not only in the interests of the Indian importers established in the trade but also in the general interests of the country.

The country should not be placed in a position of being left at the mercy of what would then amount to one or two monopolistic agencies for the supply of their essential requirements of chemicals It is the duty of Government to ensure that any proposals or arrangements made in connection with the administration of their control policy did not result in obvious injustice to any section of the trade. Committee, therefore, strongly urge that the proposal in question should not be proceeded with and that licences for imports of Hydrosulphite of soda and zinc Chloride should continue to be granted to importers without any distinction as between direct representatives of manufacturers and others."

COMPULSION IN SAVING CAMPAIGN

"The following telegram, dated 17th inst., has been addressed by the Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, to the Hon'ble the Finance Member, Government of India, New Delhi:—

"Committee Indian Merchants Chamber have noted reply given by you, as appeared in issue "Times of India" dated fitteenth, in Central Legislature on fourteenth to question about certain instructions having been issued for collecting money on war bonds from the public for purpose stimulating savings. While Committee regret that your answer did not reply specifically the question whether instructions were issued for collecting money on war bonds and certain rates were fixed for such collection per acre on holdings of agriculturists and per candy of produce of foodgrains and commercial crops and whether instructions were issued to schoolmasters and sub-Registrars to collect money compulsorily fixing certain quotas for them, your answer as published implies that such instructions if given were in order. Committee would, therefore, request you to make it clear that Government have no intention of applying or resorting to compulsion in carrying their savings campaign and if any such instructions are issued or if any steps are taken either by Central Government or Provincial Governments whereby people are compelled to contribute to savings campaign, such instructions should be forthwith withdrawn and arrangements would be made to see that no such steps are taken which involve and lead to compulsory savings contribution. Committee will be obliged by your informing them of steps taken or which you propose to take in this connection."

More Destitutes Die In Hospitals

CALCUTTA, Feb. 22.

Sixteen sick destitutes died in Calcutta hospitals during last two days. New admissions to these hospitals numbered 53, while 44 such persons were discharged during the same period.—A. P.

TRAINING IN SHIP-BUILDING

Tenth Batch Of "Bevin Boys" Sail For England

NEW DELHI, Feb. 22.

The tenth batch of Bevin Boys comprising 79 trainees recently sailed for the United Kingdom. The batch includes four nominees of various shipbuilding firms to receive special training in shipbuilding and ship repairs. This brings the total number of Bevin trainees sent for training to 563.

Thirty trainees of the 7th batch returned to India last month and steps are being taken to find employment for them. A Bevin trainee belonging to a previous batch which returned to India recently, has been appointed as a general foreman on Rs. 1,000 p. m. in a Bombay firm.—A. P.

All-India Muslim Chamber Of Commerce And Industry

The following Committee has been elected for the year 1944:—

PRESIDENT: Sir Abdul Halim Ghuznavi, Kt., M. L. A. (Central),

VICE-PRESIDENTS: Sir Syed Maratib Ali, and Mr. Cassamally Munjee.

MEMBERS: Khan Bahadur Adam Hajee Mohomed Sait, Khan Bahadur A. Abdul Karim, Khan Bahadur Hasanally P. Ebrahim, Mr. M. A. Fazalbhoy, Khan Sahib A. K. Baboo Khan, Khan Bahadur Ismailji H. E. Dalal, Khan Bahadur Mohamedally Allabux, Seth Abdul Karim Mohamed Habib Safree, Khan Bahadur Syed Ahmed Husain Rizvi, Mr. Mohamed Taher, Khan Sahib Hajimohamed Jooma Merchant, Khan Bahadur Haji Rashid Ahmed, Mr. Alhaj Ebrahim Motiwala, Mr. Jeevanjee Currimjee Morriswala, Mr. A. J. Fazul Ellahie, Mr. Adamally, Mr. Ahmed H. Abdullah, Mr. Huseini A. Varawala, Shah Mian Mohammed Allah Baksh, Mr. Ebrahim Yousuf Zainul Alireza, Mulla Abdultayeb Shaikh Abdulhusein, Mr. Hooseinee S. Doctor, Mr. S. M. Zulfeqar Ali, and Mr. T. H. Moosajee.

Mr. S. A. Brelvi For Bombay

CALCUTTA, Feb. 22.

Mr. S. A. Brelvi, editor, "Bombay Chronicle", and President of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference, arrived in Calcutta this evening.

He will leave for Bombay on February 24 by the Nagpur Mail.—A. P.

VICEROY AT COIMBATORE

COIMBATORE, Feb. 22: H. E. the Viceroy accompanied by H. E. the Governor of Madras, and party arrived in Coimbatore this morning by air from Madras.

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● It is not suggested that rice should be discarded altogether but all that is advised is that the quantum of rice should be reduced and made up by bajri. This will make the diet more balanced, give greater sustenance power and build better health.

● IT IS WRONG TO SAY THAT A RICE-EATER CAN NEVER GET USED TO BAJRI. As with any other food a change-over to a new article of food is bound to cause temporary dislocation but after about four weeks' time one can certainly get used to the new food. The temporary dislocation can be minimised if the change-over is gradual and systematic.

● A rice-eater, for example, can begin by mixing bajri with rice. Secondly this mixed bread should be eaten only once on three days in a week. Gradually this should be increased until bajri forms an ingredient of food in both the meals or at least one meal every day.

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Before leaving Bombay.

To report departures out of Bombay for more than a week and not to draw 'ghost' rations for absentees is a legal obligation under the Bombay Rationing Regulations.

You can intimate your departure to your Ward Rationing Office, giving the code and serial numbers of your card, your name and address and the name or number of your shop-keeper. You must also see that in your absence your card is not used by anyone else.

You can best carry out this responsibility and also avoid the inconvenience of writing to the Ward Office if you deposit your card either at your Ward Rationing Office or at one of the Rationing Kiosks that have been specially opened for your convenience near both the upper and third class booking offices at V. T., Bombay Central, Dadar (G.I.P.), Dadar (B. B. & C. I.) and The Ferry Wharf.

Receipts will be given for the cards. These should be carefully preserved and on return to Bombay they should be produced at the Ward Rationing Office to get back the ration cards.

People going out of Bombay for two months or more will have to surrender their cards and when they return to the city, they will be given new cards on application.

ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Feb. 22.

Following is the weather chart showing maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at eight hours on 13-2-44:—Allahabad 22, 94, 3; BOMBAY 82, 60 0.1; Cuttack 84, 69, 0; Darjeeling 52, 40, 0; Delhi 80, 55, 0.2; Dehra Dun 77, 56, T; Jacobabad 76 48 0; Karachi 76, 59, 0; Lahore 63, 53, 0.3; Lucknow 83, 62, T; Madras 87, 73, 0; Nagpur 78, 65, 0; Peshawar 60, 49 0.7; Shillong 67 44, 0; ;Simla 54, 35, 0.6.—A. P.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

We do right to expect great things from the State, but we ought to expect still greater things from ourselves.

—"A. E."

The Bombay Chronicle

KASTURBA GANDHI

The tragic event has at last come about. The Government of Bombay have announced the death of Shrimati Kasturba Gandhi in the Aga Khan Palace at Poona where she had been held a close prisoner since August 1942. Though the country had been prepared to receive the sad news through the periodical health reports from those who kept her as a captive, the announcement of the news itself will overwhelm the nation with sorrow. To millions of men and women in India Kasturba was like a mother. And truly will they feel orphaned today. Simple in her way of life, devoted as an ideal wife, unbreakable and courageous in spirit and humble to the point of self-effacement, Kasturba represented in her life the real essence of Indian womanhood. She carried on her shoulders the sorrows of a nation in subjection and her devotion to the cause of the emancipation of the country from thraldom was surpassed by none. Though those who held her as captive knew that her health had been deteriorating for some time, they would not even allow her the choice as to her treatment. Their spokesmen with characteristic callousness declared more than once that it was good for her to be where she was and that an eminent specialist was available at the place of her detention for constant consultation!

Kasturba has died in harness. Her life of selfless devotion to the cause of freedom is cut short. Her death within prison walls will ever remain a blazing reminder to those who are left behind to complete her work that the path to success lies in sacrifice. To Mahatma Gandhi her death is a great blow. First Mahadev Desai, then Kasturba, the two so near and dear to him, true comrades and companions in his journey to fulfil a great and noble mission—the mission of the emancipation of India and with it humanity as a whole—have been snatched away from him one after the other. Only a man of his strength and faith can survive the heavy blows that have come on him in the strange circumstances in which he is placed. India, nay the world, shares with Gandhiji his grief and prays for the peace of Kasturba's soul.

Salute To The Red Army

To-day marks the 26th official anniversary of the Red Army. Actually the decree ordering the creation of the Red Army was signed by Lenin on the 28th of January 1918. But it was on the 23rd of February that the infant army inflicted a decisive defeat on the German occupying forces near Narva and Pskov—a terrain which the whirligig of history is making the scene of another historic battle to-day 26 years afterwards. "Guard the Red Army like the apple of your eye", was the constant teaching of Lenin to his colleagues. The advice has been faithfully followed by his successor, Stalin, and the Russian people have been all those years stinting and sacrificing in order to make the Red Army the mighty engine of war that it has proved to be. The policy which was frequently criticised by myopic critics has more than justified itself and it can forever be the proud boast of the Red Army that it has saved not merely the Soviet State and people but the entire democratic world itself. What amazing delusions about the Red Army were entertained barely three years ago! Hitler hoped to annihilate it within ten weeks—an expectation which was shared even by many of the Allied general staffs. Goebbels actually performed that feat in the studio of the Berlin Radio! The Russian war of the last 32 months can be roughly divided into two equal periods. During the first the Red Army suffered terrific punishment and had to evacuate territory after territory until it reached the Volga. During all its fighting retreat, however, it never lost its homogeneity or its elan. It had always the superb confidence that the tide would turn back—and it did at Stalingrad. And ever since then during the last fourteen months it has never looked back. It has liberated most of the occupied area and even crossed the frontier. It has all looked like a miracle—a serial of miracles which is slowly being unreeled before our eyes. These seeming miracles have however cost the Red Army and the Soviet people incalculable suffering and the casualties of the former easily run into millions. Let us not forget that while saluting the Red Army and its makers—Lenin, Stalin, Voroshilov, Kirov, Budenny and the host of young generals who have made the proud Wehrmacht bite the dust. And let us not forget on this day Trotsky, too, whose ghost is still haunting the corridors of history.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Commerce Member's Denial

"Sir A. H. Ghaznavi asked in the Central Assembly whether it was a fact that orders for capital goods were being booked in this country to be placed with the United Kingdom, that one of the conditions of booking such orders was that the industrialists had to pay a certain deposit which would be forfeited if the orders did not mature and that there was no guarantee that the goods would be delivered or delivered at prices originally fixed, that the Government were already reserving a portion of India's sterling balance in lieu of these orders and that the Government of India were inducing and encouraging Indian industrialists to book the orders immediately. The Commerce Member, Sir Azizul Haque replied: "The answer to all parts of the question is in the negative. Industrial concerns have, however, been invited to intimate their post-war requirements of capital goods (machinery) so as to enable Government to assist such industries in securing priority for their requirements if they so desired." Sir Abdul Halim Ghaznavi is the President of the All-India Muslim Chamber of Commerce and his question could not have been based on heresy reports. He must have had sufficient evidence before him to justify his question. The Commerce Member's reply is unequivocal and has a finiteness about it. But we cannot accept that denial without a positive and full statement to clarify the position that Manufacturers' representatives in India have assumed in regard to forward inquiries about capital goods, namely, machinery. We do not know whether Sir Abdul Halim or any other member sought to get this clarification through supplementaries. If this was done, it should surely have been reported. In the absence of any such report we presume that the matter was not pursued after the categorical denial from the Commerce Member.

But What About This?

We have, however, before us an intriguing document, which is a reply from a firm representing British manufacturers of capital goods to another reputed firm. We extract the following from that document for the edification of the Commerce Member and the public:

"A condition of requirements being entered on the makers' books to rank for priority..... would be that you would agree to pay us a sum in Rupees as earnest money equivalent approximately to 5 per cent of the nominal total nett F. O. B. prices ruling at that time, to be treated when telegraphically remitted by us to the Makers in sterling at the then ruling rate of exchange, as a sterling payment made by you. No interest would be allowed on the sum in question. Your order would be registered on the Makers' books as and from the date the remittance is received by us, provided that Makers have confirmed that they are prepared to register your order. If the order is confirmed by you, the sterling sum would be treated as part payment on account, but if the order is not confirmed by you within a reasonable time after you receive the firm price quotation the sum would be treated as a price paid for preliminary preferential registration of your requirements and in that event *the sum would be forfeited and not repaid to you.*" (Italics ours.)

From what is quoted above it must be obvious that one of the conditions for booking orders was that "the industrialists had to pay a certain deposit which would be forfeited if the orders did not mature", as Sir Abdul Halim has put it. We do not know what the Commerce Member has to say to this. The matter should not be dismissed lightly. We hope that Sir Abdul Halim and other members of the Central Assembly would take the earliest opportunity to expose the real position.

The 15 Year Plan

The 15 year plan of economic development for India proposed by Sir Purshuttomdas Thakurdas and others has created a lively interest.

The British Government and the Government of India are not enamoured of the Purushottamdas plan. They are suspicious and cautious. They are apologetic of whatever post-war reconstruction plans they might have brought into shape. They seem to be solicitous mainly of the interests of the British exporters in the post-war Indian market as against American and Indian competitors. Their emphasis on the development of agricultural production and communications is symptomatic.

Although most of the foregoing criticisms and objections may be discounted there are several aspects of the plan which cannot be lightly ignored.

The plan postulates the establishment of a national Government as a prerequisite. But what exactly is implied by a national government? In whose hands is effective political power to vest? The leftists, socialists, communists and Royists look askance at this as a dope and a cloak under which the capitalists, they think, will seek to run the show to their own advantage and to the detriment of the masses in general. Ardent nationalists suspect that the authors of the plan would compromise over the question of independence, that they would accept the imperial connection with Britain provided the British concede the Indian businessman a major share in the covering of the Indian as well as such foreign markets as the Middle and Far East. But the prerequisite national government which is to execute the plan, implies a democratic parliamentary government. It further implies an all party government.

The increase in industrial income is dependent on the increase in agricultural income. The increase in the agricultural income is impossible unless the peasant, the actual tiller of the land, is assured security of tenure and the ownership of the produce of the land he tills. This is impossible under a feudal economy. Is feudalism to be liquidated? Are big landlords and zemindars to be devested? Are they to be neutralized by state enforced stipends? What is the idea? And if any, how is that to be enforced by a state based on parliamentary democracy? We know what great opposition the Bombay Congress Government met with in enacting its tenancy legislation.

In the industrial field itself the managing agency system is on a par with absentee landlordism and is equally uneconomic. Is that to go? And how is militant trade unionism to be controlled under a parliamentary system of government? A rigorous control of trade unionism, although necessary, is likely to militate against the procurement of skilled labour which is indispensable for modern industrial activity.

Apart from the question as to what amount of hoarded wealth is available for productive purposes, its inducement into the productive channels is dependent on the productive activity showing concrete results. The question is how to provide for the interim period. Credit in the form of the sterling securities is likely enough to prove a wash-out as there is every likelihood of the same being misappropriated. Favourable trade balances also are not a reliable source. For they depend upon the maintenance of the preponderance of exports over imports. Unless the import of capital goods necessary in the preliminary stages of the plan is paid for through other resources a favourable trade balance seems to be almost an impossibility.

The idea of creating money against prospective production is a sound one. But unless and until the productive process gets a considerable start and erects a bulwark against an inflationary trend the device remains only a happy dream. The question is how to provide for the initial stage of generating a momentum. Foreign borrowings can't do the trick. For they are also attracted towards a going and paying concern. Besides, care has to be taken that these borrowings do not tend to preponderate and perpetuate themselves. If they do so, the plan will stultify itself.

D. M. NAMJOSHI.

University Hospital

I am at a loss to understand why the University of Bombay has totally ignored the question of University Hospital at Bombay. It is one of the most important questions and still the Senate has not taken any kind of measure in this matter practically.

Almost in every modern country there are special hospitals exclusively for the students. It is one of the most important duties of the University to provide with a free medical aid centre for the students.

In the city of Bombay there are special hospitals for the police and railwaymen. The University must have its own decent hospital in Bombay for the students.

The fact cannot be denied that lack of such institution has poured many vices in the various educational quarters. Part-time doctors appointed by the University for the medical inspection of the students once a year, serve no purpose really speaking. The medical inspections always ignore the most important and vital question of carefully examining the diseases of the students, and showing the remedy or prescribing the medicines to cure them.

What is the use of such medical inspections and so-called qualified doctors when they cannot examine the students carefully and render every possible help to cure the diseases?

The free medical aid to the students is one of the most urgent needs now-a-days. A large majority of the University students reside in Bombay and so there is a great need of one University Hospital with a couple of decent wards and a well qualified staff.

I earnestly request the Senate to consider this question soon and seriously.

MAHMUD A. WAZIFADAR.

Bombay, 18-1-44.

The Wrong Way Still

It is true that "few people will be surprised at what the Viceroy said the other day." But what all the people will be surprised at is why he had to take such a long time to say what he said. Was he afraid to let his cat out of his so-much-talked-of mental bag that he carried from England to India or was he merely to fool the notoriously optimistic people of India and to keep them merely guessing for as long a time as possible?

He is not so much after winning peace, it is clear, but he is determined to win the war! He does not want to win the hearts but the physical bodies of the people.

Is he not pursuing the wrong Banyan's Pilgrim's Progress?

N. B. PARULEKAR.

Civilian Blood Bank For Bombay

I note with pleasure the appeal that has appeared in your esteemed and valuable Daily—the appeal to Bombayites to come forward to donate their blood to the Civilian Blood Bank, and hope there will be a fitting response.

I think it may interest your readers to learn that I am a voluntary Blood donor with a record of one hundred and nineteen blood transfusions to my credit. On occasions I had given two transfusions the same day and still I am as hale and healthy as ever.

Giving blood to the poor is commendable and none need ever hesitate to render this humanitarian service which involves no risk whatsoever, and to cite from Shakespere this act of mercy is not strained but is doubly blessed. It blesses the receiver as well as the donor.

Once again wishing a roaring success in a spontaneous response to your this appeal.

E. K. OAMA.

FOUNDER OF THE RED ARMY

"Order" And "Discipline" Were Two Watchwords Of Lenin For Soviet Soldiers

By Colonel S. GUROV

The Soviet State was born in the fires of battle. From the very first the young Soviet Republic had to fight hard for its existence.

The Germans invaded the Soviet land with the purpose of overthrowing the Soviet Government and converting Russia into their colony.

Lenin, founder of the Soviet State, perceived the seriousness of the threat to its existence and roused the entire Soviet people to the task of defending their motherland.

The old Russian Army was disintegrating and was incapable of making a stand against the armed hordes of German Fascism. It reeled back under the blows of the German Army.

Lenin's first care, therefore, was to create the armed force of the Soviet State.

By a decree of the Council of People's Commissars dated January, 28, 1918 the workers' and peasants' Red Army was formed. This inexperienced army was confronted by a cruel and implacable enemy armed to the teeth. German forces were already approaching Pskov and Narva and were threatening Petrograd.

IRON DISCIPLINE

Lenin proceeded to build up an efficient and disciplined army so that it might not be as he said "fodder for the German guns." He demanded that no single breach of discipline should be allowed to go unpunished, and that military training should be persistent, prolonged and energetic. In countless speeches and documents he insisted on iron discipline as an indispensable condition for victory. "Whoever does not help the Red Army wholeheartedly and unselfishly," he wrote, "whoever does not support order and discipline with all his might, is a traitor and a treason monger."

Lenin directed and controlled all the activities of the Red Army Command, gave instructions, defined the aims and directions of operations and worked out plans of hostilities.

OFFENSIVE AGAINST KOLCHAK

In the summer of 1919, Kolchak's army was staggering back to the Urals under the blows of the Red Army. Lenin telegraphed to the staff on the Eastern Front insisting on the necessity of a vigorous offensive against Kolchak. He emphasised that any delay or halt in the offensive at the approaches to the Urals would mean playing into Kolchak's hands. Lenin considered that if Kolchak were allowed to retain possession of the Urals and Siberia, he might recover from his defeat, strengthen his forces and again become a menace to the Soviet Republic. Therefore, in order to complete the defeat of Kolchak, he demanded that the Eastern Front be strengthened, and forbade any transfer of troops from that front to the south against Denikin.

At length Kolchak's army was routed and driven across the Urals; and Lenin issued a new slogan: "All for the fight against Denikin". Fresh forces were dispatched to the southern front, which was now most dangerous. To the southern front, too, Lenin sent Stalin who, after a number of fierce battles, hurled Denikin's army in the Black Sea.

Lenin saw that the only chance of victory lay in active and determined operations aiming at the complete annihilation of the enemy. He demanded resolute action from commanders of armies and fronts, and ordered them to pursue and harass the enemy and not to allow him even a moment's respite.

SECOND NAZI ATTEMPT FAILS

Allies Hold Initiative In Anzio Bridgehead

LONDON, Feb. 22.

Allied Headquarters North Africa: The absence of major fighting and the relaxation of German pressure in the beachhead for the second day in succession is interpreted officially here as meaning that Marshal Kesselring's second great effort against Allied positions in the Anzio beachhead has failed, cables Reuters special correspondent.

No ground was exchanged and our positions remain unaltered after yesterday's minor clashes in the beachhead.

Air missions in the beachhead were curtailed by poor visibility, which also grounded most of our long-range bombers.

Patrol actions took place on the Lower Garigliano and Eighth Army fronts.

Allied forces now hold the initiative after some of the fiercest and bloodiest fighting in the whole campaign.

The Germans still hold the Monastery Hill and control a mile of ground, which must be carried before the Fifth Army can start its northward drive.

PRELUDE TO ANOTHER NAZI ATTACK.

The comparative lull which has succeeded the big battle along the Anzio road is possibly but a peaceful prelude to a renewal of the assault.

Breaches in the German lines in the beachhead were admitted by a German radio war reporter as "inevitable." The Rome radio reports violent fighting in the beachhead where during the past hours the battle has spread to more sectors.

The heavy artillery exchanged in the Anzio beachhead and strong patrol clashes may herald a new onslaught by Kesselring's divisions now pushed back to within a mile and three-quarters of Carroceto.

The German Command has been massing infantry and tanks in the sector to the right of Albano, Reuters' special correspondent with the Fifth Army in a cable disapatched late last night. Withering and sustained artillery barrage down the line was reported last night.

Maj.-Gen. D. Russell is commanding the Eighth Indian Division in Italy.

Mediterranean Allied Force advance Headquarters, To-day's Allied Communique states: SEA: A group of enemy E-Boats attempting to approach Anzio during the night of February 20-21 was driven off by Amercian patrol craft. One E-Boat blew up after being hit and a second is believed to have been driven ashore.

LAND: A relatively quiet day was spent on all fronts. Local fighting, however, occurred at three points. On the Fifth Army's Anzio front both our artillery and that of the enemy fired heavy concentrations.

AIR: Railway yards at Orte and docks at Imperia and Leghorn were attacked. Three enemy aircraft were destroyed.

EXCHANGE OF WAR PRISONERS

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22.

Prince Carl, President of the Swedish Red Cross, announced on Monday night that the Swedish Government had approached the British, United States and German Governments with a view to new and larger exchanges of war prisoners. No reply has so far been received.

Count Tolke Bernadotte is now in London to discuss prisoners of war exchanges and general Red Cross work with the British.—Reuter.

WILL WAVELL ALLOW 'C. R.' TO MEET MAHATMA?

(From A Special Correspondent.)

LONDON, Feb. 22.

The Rajagopalachari-Wavell interview is being discussed with great interest in political circles here which believe that Lord Wavell may practise conciliation instead of preaching and allow Mr. Rajagopalachari to meet Mahatma Gandhi.

Though the Tory Press generally supported Lord Wavell's "conciliatory" speech, progressive opinion demands the unconditional release of Mahatma Gandhi as a pre-requisite for a satisfactory settlement of the Indian deadlock.

REVOLT AGAINST ROOSEVELT

New Tax Bill May Be Passed In Face Of Threatened Veto

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.

A democratic revolt led by representatives Robert L. Houghton, Chairman of the House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee, and Senator Walter F. George, Chairman of the Finance Committee may result in the passage of the New Tax Bill, on Thursday, in face of the threatened presidential veto.

The present developments indicate that sufficient Democrats together with Republican membership will vote to make the bill Law despite President, Roosevelt's objections.—Reuter.

RAIDERS OVER ENGLAND

LONDON, Feb. 22.

An air raid alert was sounded in the London area early to-day. The all clear was sounded shortly after the alert.

Last night there was slight German activity over parts of south and south-east England, including the London area. Bombs were dropped at a few scattered points.

Little damage and a small number of casualties have been reported.

The Air Ministry announces "last night MOSQUITOS of the Bomber Command attacked objectives in Germany and enemy-occupied territory. Many mines were also laid in German waters. One of our aircraft is missing".

It is officially announced that MOSQUITOS of the Second Tactical Air Force covered by TYPHOON fighters this morning attacked military objectives in Northern France.

Raids On Brunswick And Hanover

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 22.

Great damage was caused in Monday's United States airraids on the towns of Brunswick and Hanover, according to "Morgen Tidingen."—Reuter.

LONDON.—The four political parties in France have formed a joint Committee of Action to wage a relentless war against communism, according to an Algiers dispatch. A special police force for use against communists has been urged by Marcel Boudard, the leader of the Franciste Party (French Fascists).—India Press Service.

BATTLE FOR KRIVOI ROG

Soviet Drive To Clear Nazis From South-Western Ukraine

MOSCOW, Feb. 22.

From Reuter's staff correspondent: Latest reports from the Ukraine front said that the iron ore city of Krivoi Rog is now almost surrounded by troops of the Red Army.

As Soviet forces drive deeper into the city the crash of guns mingles with the boom of exploding German ammunition. The Germans are firing from windows and rooftops as the battle goes on in the town itself. Soviet guns have the last exists under fire after tightening the arc around the city from the north east, east and south.

Soviet tanks are smashing through German barricades.

In the north a big Russian army pivoting on a 70-mile front west of Staraya Russa is menacing the junction of Dno. The battle for Krivoi Rog is as fierce as any previous struggle for the city, but this time the Red Army is more than ever determined that the Germans are going out for good. The present drive is to clear the Germans from the whole south-western corner of Ukraine, including the ports of Kherson, Nikolayev and Odessa.

INCREASE IN RAILWAY FARES

Suburbanites Protest

ANDHERI, Feb. 22.

A public meeting of the residents of the Bombay Suburban District was held at Guzder Hall, Andheri, on Tuesday morning where resolutions were passed emphatically protesting against the proposed increase in Railway fares and for arranging a representation to the Government of Bombay to include the Bombay Suburban District in the proposed Beggar Legislation for the City of Bombay.

Mr Ratilal M Nanavaty who presided, spoke at length discussing the Railway Budget and explaining that the three reasons given by the Member for Transport "for imposing this colossal burden of Rs. 10 crores on the travelling public" were indeed not satisfactory. The Railway was a premier public utility service and as such should be run on sound principles of national support. However, it appeared that the Government was short-sighted and opposed to commercial interests."

Referring to the various kinds of inconvenience that the Railway passengers had to undergo these days, he said that this extra "taxation" would not directly affect only those who were either Government officials, travelling on duty, or those who were Government contractors for supply. All others, especially the Lower Middle Class people from whom this money must come in bulk, could not certainly afford it save at the cost of such necessities as food and clothing. The problem was more accurate for the Bombay Suburban District people, for four to five persons belonging to each family would be affected by it, and such persons were not less than about 2,00,000. Any additional burden on them would be the last straw on the Camel's back.

BEGGAR PROBLEM

As regards the beggars, those who were being driven away from Bombay were travelling to the suburbs and thus caused inconvenience to the suburbanites. The meeting also requested all the local self-governing units in the Suburbs to move in the matter.

Besides the President, Messrs. C. D. Barfivala, Jestanand Kapadia, C. J. Bhatt and Pakhade and Dr. R. P. Bhatt addressed the meeting.

GOVT. MUST COME TO SETTLEMENT

Opposition Gathers Force Against Increased Rly. Fares

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, Feb. 22.

Lobby talks indicate that the opposition hopes to muster 56 to 58 votes by the 24th inst. when voting on demands commences as against 42 to 45 of Government's.

Opposition to 25 p.c. increase in Railway fares is supported by all sides except the European group as was indicated in the Budget discussion yesterday.

Indications however are not wanting that the Government would be preparerd to negotiate a reasonable settlement.

Final lobby position will be available after Muslim League Party meeting.

ANZIO CERSORSHIP

Churchill Blames American Press

WESTMINSTER: Feb. 22: The Prime Minister Mr. Churchill at question time in the Commons to-day have an explanation of the censorship that was imposed upon war correspondents at the Anzio beachhead.

Replying to Mr. Emmanuel Shinwell (Labour), Mr. Churchill said: "My enquiries did not take me very long as I had myself sent telegrams asking for stricter censorship on alarmist reports about the position in the bridgehead not by correspondents there but by persons in Naples and Algiers.

TROUBLE FROM REAR.

Such words as 'desperate' continued Mr. Churchill, ought not to be used in a battle of this kind, when they are false, and still less are they to be used if they were true (Laughter). In the first case, they needlessly distressed the public. In the second they encouraged the enemy to attack. I am glad radio facilities have been restored to correspondents in the bridgehead. These were not the people who caused the trouble but others far in the rear. Liberty of the press is of a high consequence, so also are lives of troops".

Replying to another question from Mr. Shinwell Mr. Churchill said: "I take full responsibility for trying to do my best to see that these matters are conducted in a proper manner and I certainly thought from some of the headlines and telegrams coming from people at Algiers and reporters, in many cases of the American Press, that a wrong impression was being given both to our people and to the enemy of the situation of the bridgehead. —Reuter.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Never once did that thin khaki line waver till the objective was captured. I looked across the white dusty road to the hills beyond as the Colonel finished his tale. On those sunlit slopes the blood of Hindu, Muslim and Sikh had flowed together in a common cause. The Colonel summed it up. "In all my years of fighting," he said, "I have never seen such a gutful show."

—"Times of India's" War Correspondent on Arakan front.

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The "Manchester Guardian" characterizes the Viceroy's speech as "to a certain extent helpful."

Helpful to the British empire?

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Further declared the M.G.:—"It is clearly not possible for us simply to quit and leave India to herself unless there is an agreement among her own people."

But we thought there is already an agreement among all the people—about their quitting, we mean!

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Said the Transport Member in the Assembly:—

"Short distance passengers within the 50-miles zone, who formed 83 per cent of the total of third class passengers, were to be relieved of the incidence of the burden. No increase was contemplated on journeys up to ten miles."

Students of arithmetic are invited to solve the problem of journeys up to ten miles being within "the 50-mile zone"!

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TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

(Perpetrated By The Junior Colleague)

(1) *Coal tar is the latest political weapon—as demonstrated in the Corporation—and the Government is issuing an ordinance banning it along with lathis, knives and lethal weapons.*

(2) *Mr. M. N. Talpade, at the next meeting of the Corporation, will move a resolution condemning the Congress as an anti-Hindu organisation and Mr. Killedar will move an amendment to change the words "anti-Hindu" into "anti-Muslim".*

(3) *Mr. Talpade will then move another resolution commending the Viceroy's speech and acknowledging Lord Wavell as the greatest "Protector of Hindu charma".*

(4) *Congressmen henceforth will compulsorily have to subscribe to the Government Gazette to keep a watch whether it contains any order against them.*

(5) *Mr. Rajagopalachari's statement to the effect that "I have had a long talk with the Viceroy but the position remains where his address to the legislature left it" confirms the exclusive scoop of the Junior Colleague that the Viceroy had given a copy of his speech to C. R. and made him read it in his presence—which took 45 minutes!*

PUNJAB GAG ON MRS. NAIDU

Adjournment Motion To Discuss Govt. Order

LAHORE, Feb. 22.

A notice of an adjournment motion to discuss the Punjab Government's restraint order on Mrs. Sarojini Naidu on January 26 last after her arrival at Lahore on a private visit has been given in the Punjab Assembly which meets on March 3 next by Mr. Bhagatram Chadda.

The same member has given notice of other adjournment motions relating to the lathi charge on the presidential procession of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha at Amritsar on December 25 last, the Amritsar District Magistrate's order banning press telegrams mentioning the lathi charge, the refusal of the Government to accept the recommendations of a non-official enquiry committee appointed by Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee regarding the lathi charge on the Mahasabha procession and the failure of the Government to appoint an official committee to investigate the incident.—United Press.

Punjab Govt. Deny Lathi Charge

LAHORE, Feb. 22.

"No lathi charge was ever ordered or made, but when the police went forward to halt and move back the procession, some of the processionists and spectators may have been injured in the confusion, which followed and which was inevitable in view of the darkness and the congestion of streets"

This conclusion of the Punjab Government is contained in a Press Communique issued to-day criticising the findings of the Hindu Mahasabha Committee in connection with the Lathi charge on the Presidential procession in Amritsar on December 25, 1943.

The communique says:—

"Allegations have been made of the use of unnecessary force, but the fact, however, remains that only one person attended the Civil Hospital to receive treatment and the injuries in his case were received as a result of being trampled on in the crowd. "The Punjab Government regret the disappointment caused by the abandonment of the procession, but consider that the organisers have only themselves to blame and that the action taken by the district officers was justified and indeed inevitable."—A. P.

BENGAL GOVT. APPEALS TO PRIVY COUNCIL

CALCUTTA, Feb. 22.

The Government of Bengal, it is learnt have filed an appeal to the Privy Council against the decision of the Federal Court declaring the appointment of Special Magistrate under the Special Courts Ordinance to be void and 'ultra vires' and confirming the decision of the Calcutta High Court.—United Press.

MILITARY GOVERNMENTS IN LIBERATED NATIONS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.

The Army and Navy Departments disclosed jointly on Monday night the principles followed by American Field Commanders in establishing military Governments for the liberated nations.

The Commanders are authorised to exercise all powers necessary for the successful operation of military Governments which are prepared to military requirements. A civil affairs officer is designated to deal with civilian relationships on behalf of the Commander.—Reuter.

WAVELL'S SPEECH MUST UNITE POLITICAL PARTIES

Barren Reiteration Of Cripps Offer Does Not Carry Us Any Further, Says Munshi

"Lord Wavell's speech says nothing new. Since his arrival he has made it amply clear that his Viceroyalty is going to be a challenge to all political progress. It is intended that the British Government would generously look after our food problem, would appoint committees to make long-range plans for educational and economic development, and leave us politically more helpless than ever.

The Cripps Offer, explicitly reiterated, is of no value as it is conditioned on Indian parties coming to an agreement, and at the same time the agreement is rendered impossible by the British Government detaining the Congress leaders. A barren reiteration of the Cripps Offer, therefore, does not carry us any further.

The offer made to the Congress leaders for their release carries such humiliating implications that neither those leaders nor the country is likely to consider this offer as genuine or practical. The emphasis on the geographical unity of India, however welcome it would have been under different circumstances, can, against the background of the whole speech, be read only as a clever imperialistic slogan to prevent any possible adjustment between the protagonists of Akhand Hindustan and Pakistan.

The speech, however, has the merit of being blunt, and it will set at rest the unfounded rumours which again and again filled the public mind with the hope that the British Government is going to reverse its policy towards India. Now we know where we are, and a realistic approach at closing the ranks among political leaders may become possible. It is of the highest importance that they should come together to review the situation and explore the possibility of an understanding which would make India face the danger of 'status quo' with strength and mutual confidence."

BHAKRA DAM PROSPECTS

LAHORE, Feb. 22.

The Hon'ble Sir Chhotu Ram, Revenue Minister, Punjab, accompanied by a party of American and British experts, visited on Sunday the site of the proposed Bhakra Dam which has been conceived to irrigate primarily the arid areas of south-east Punjab. The party included Mr. L. Savage, Chief Designing Engineer of the Bureau of Reclamation, United States of America, Sir William Stampe, Irrigation Adviser to the Government of India, and Mr. Auden Government of India's Geologist.

His Highness the Raja of Bilaspur arrived at Bhakra on Monday and had informal conversation with the Hon'ble Sir Chhotu Ram and Rai Bahadur A. N. Khosla

The construction of the dam is expected to be taken in hand as soon as the Punjab-Sind dispute over the distribution of the waters of the Indus is settled and the requisite machinery is available.

Mr. Savage, the American High Dam expert, reccently arrived in the Punjab at the request of the Punjab Government to advise them on their irrigation project.—A. P.

Khanna's Appeal Dismissed

Federal Court Judges' Remarks Do Not Apply To His Case

NEW DELHI, Feb. 21.

The District and Sessions Judge, Delhi, dismissed the appeal of Mr. Jugal Kishore Khanna, former Secretary of the Delhi Congress Committee to-day, but reduced his sentence from 18 months to 9 months in one case in which he was convicted for non-compliance with the notification of the Chief Commissioner to present himself before the C. I. D. Superintendent.

In the other case in which Mr. Khanna was sentenced to 18 months for writing prejudicial literature, the sentence remained the same. The total sentence of Mr. Khanna, on appeal, has been reduced from 3 years' rigorous imprisonment to 27 months.

While dismissing the appeal the Judge observed that he found it hard to consider that the remarks of Their Lordships, the Judges of the Federal Court could apply at all the facts of the present case.

The article of the accused struck directly at the safety of the State.— A. P.

Disciplinary Action Against Congress M.L.A.s

BANGALORE, Feb. 22.

The President of the Mysore Congress Committee has taken disciplinary action against six members of the Committee.

Messrs. Ramalal Tiwari, L. S. Raju and T. Talagowda have been removed from the Congress for five years and asked to resign the membership of the Legislative Assembly, Legislative Council, Municipal Council and District Board, where they were returned on Congress ticket.

Messrs. M. C. Mallappa, T. S. Rajagopala Iyengar and V. K. Govindarajulu have been removed for three years, Mr. Rajagopala Iyengar being directed to resign from the Assembly also.—United Press.

ALL ACCUSED ACQUITTED

TAMLUK (Bengal), Feb. 22.

All the eleven accused in what is known as Mahishadal police station burning case were acquitted by the first Sub-Judge of Midnapore. The accused were tried for alleged creating an unlawful assembly, attacking the Mahishadal police station and burning police officers' quarters. It is stated that a crowd of nearly 20,000 persons attacked the police station on September 29, 1942 when the police opened fire. The mob persisted in the attack from 2 p.m till evening and was eventually compelled to disperse.—United Press.

Exchange Bank Of India & Africa Ltd.

OPENS KOLHAPUR BRANCH

A Branch Office of the above Bank was opened on the 19th instant at Kolhapur. Sir Raghunathrao Sabnis, ex-Dewan of Kolhapur presided and gave blessings to the Branch. Prominent among those present were the Hon. Mr. Perry, I.C.S., Prime Minister, Kolhapur Government; Mr. Bacon, Secretary to the Resident, Southern Maratha States, and Mrs. Bacon; Khansaheb Sadri, I.C.P.; prominent Sardars and Jagirdars. The Managing Director Mr. J. M. Akhaney delivered a speech informing as to what progress the Exchange Bank had made during a short period and as to why they had decided to open a Branch at Kolhapur.

INTERNATIONAL BANK OF INDIA

It is understood that at a meeting of the Directors of the International Bank of India Ltd., held on Friday last, the Directors have resolved to increase the paid up capital of the Bank from Rs. 25 lakhs to Rs. 50 lakhs by issuing 50,500 further ordinary shares of Rs. 100 each on which a sum of Rs. 50 per share is to be called up. These new shares will be offered at a premium of Rs. 5 per share to the existing holders of ordinary shares in the first instance. The necessary sanction for increase of capital, it appears, has already been obtained from the Examiner of Capital Issues.

NEW YORK COTTON
New York Feb. 21.
March 20.85, May 20.42, July 19.90. Middling Spot unreceived.
NEW ORLEANS COTTON
March 21.00, May 20.59, July 20.08. Middling Spot not received.
NEW YORK COTTON NOON CALL
March 20.83, May 20.40, July 19.87.
LONDON SILVER
London, Feb. 21
Spot 23-1/2, Forward 23-1/2.
LONDON GOLD
London, Feb. 21
London Gold Fine per oz £8-8-0.
LONDON WHEAT
London, Feb. 21.
Wheat Rozario Santa Fe (New Crop) 32/6 March-April quoted. Wheat Australian (Bulk) 34 February-March quoted. Wheat Australian (Bags) 37 February-March quoted.
LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE
London, Feb. 21.
Rupee Paper 3-1/2 per cent £71-7/8, Consols 2-1/2 per cent £79-1/2, Conversion Loan 3-1/2 per cent 1961 £105-5/16, War Loan 3-1/2 per cent £103-7/8, Funding Loan 4 per cent 1960/90 £113-7/8, Victory Bonds 4 per cent £112, Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China £9-7/8, Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Reg.) £77, National Bank of India £37.

Bombay Races

GWALIOR'S RADIO MAN ANNEXES SURGEON GENERAL'S CUP

Punters Again In Disaster

(From Our Racing Correspondent)

Maha Shivratri Day attracted more than the contemplated crowds at Mahaluxmi when the meeting framed in cause of hospitals was run off.

Two favourites obliged in nine events and once again the followers of form and favourites failed to realise the standard of the real sport.

The Maharaja of Gwalior was extremely lucky when recording a double which included success of the day's attraction the Surgeon General's Cup. The Gaekwar Of Baroda also scored a double through the medium of Royal Blood and Fadilhat Al Garb.

Khalaf Sabhan sprang a big surprise in the Goculdas Tejpal Plate (Div. II) and rewarded those in the know and a couple who had supported him without knowing much of his form with Rs. 435 for each winning ticket.

In the Surgeon General's Cup, the Gwalior's Radio Man went to the front soon after the fall of the flag and did not permit Kotor and Mohalebbi to surpass him at any stage of the journey but the winner gave the biggest breath to his humble follower who once the opposing candidates set at fray. The winner stayed alright by the margin of a neck. The firm favourite in the race, Wonderful, displayed inadvertently to previous form and finished down the field

The Maharaja of Gwalior's Jaiwant accounted for a smart field of ten in the day's last event, the first division of the Sir J. J. Hospital Plate. Odds On and Niraly who being course scratching, Silverlining and Gold Legion were made to stand as the joint favourites. The first named after chasing the winner till close home, fell back to fourth and unremunerative position. The neglected Sunbathing placed second and Gold Legion was third. The winner who recorded for covering the five furlongs journey in 1 minute 3 2/5 seconds simply indicates that he is the best amongst the country breds of his age racing in this season and should he compete in the Championship stakes, it would be very much committing to neglect him.

The following are the results:—

THE HOSPITAL FUND PLATE Division II—Distance 1 mile 1 furlong
Thakore Saheb of Lathi and Kumar Shri Harishchandrasinghji of Lathi's KAID SAOUD 9-0 A. Ahmed 1
Mr. R. P. Ebrahim's FLOWER OF CALCUTTA 8-7 Poshny 2
Mr. Rahiman's INTIDHAR AL SHABAB 9-0 Russi 3
Mr. Saleh Moosa's RED CROSS 9-0 Bhoorsingh 4
Not run: MacArthur.
Won by: 3 lengths, 1 1/4 lengths. 1/2 length.
Time: 2 minutes 9 2/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 129. Places Rs. 36, Rs. 41 and Rs. 30.

THE SIR J. J. HOSPITAL PLATE Division III—Distance 5 furlongs.
Maharaj Kumar of Morvi's HAPPY FATE 8-4 Stead 1
H. H. The Maharaja of Idar's BLUE DIAMOND 8-7 Brace .. 2
Mr. Abid H. Doctor's PROMISE ME 8-4 Rook 3
Mr. Chandulal J. Shah's SHABNAM 8-4 Evans 4
Not run: Princess of Manjri, Black Queen, Wilhelmina.
Won by: 2 1/2 lengths, 2 lengths, 2 lengths.
Time: 1 minute 3 2/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 56. Places Rs. 30, Rs. 27 and Rs. 52.

THE HOSPITAL FUND PLATE Division I—Distance 1 mile 1 furlong.
Maj. Gandhi and Mr. Jehangir's HINDUSTAN 9-3 Britt 1
Mr. Jacob Heskel's KING KU 8-11 Jones 2
M/s. E. S. Poonawalla and Dhunjishaw's PARACHUTE 8-13 B. McQuade 3
Maharaja of Gwalior's ASMAN TARA 8-3 Roberts 4
Not run: Malik Al Jiyad.
Won by: 2 1/2 lengths, 1/2 length, S-Hd.
Time: 2 minutes 9 1/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 25 Places Rs. 16, Rs. 41 and Rs. 66.

THE ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL PLATE—Distance 1 mile.
Maharaja of Baroda's ROYAL BLOOD 8-9 N. Singh 1
Mr. F. A. Irani's COUGAR 8-8 Virsingh 2
Mr. J. A. Grimshaw's PROMINENT 8-4 Uttamsingh 3
Mr. Chandra Mohan's A LA GRANDE 8-13 Chavan 4
Not run: Willow Herb, Sporting King, Bay Peter.
Won by: 3/4 length, 1 length, Nk.
Time: 1 minute 42 4/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 30. Places Rs. 18, Rs. 29 and Rs. 29.

THE SIR J. J. HOSPITAL PLATE Division II—Distance 5 furlongs.
Mrs. N. E. D. Pandole's CYRENAICA 8-7 Sibbritt 1
Lady Sherbanoo Chinoy's SNOWFALL 8-7 B. McQuade 2
H. H. The Maharaja of Idar's PEAR HELEN 8-4 Brace 3
H. H. The Maharaja Gaekwar of Baroda's LITTLE CAESAR 8-7 Britt 4
Not run: Wing Commander, Ferial, Manjri Delight.
Won by: 1 length, 4 lengths. 2 lengths.
Time: 1 minute 4 seconds
Tote paid: Win Rs. 42. Places Rs. 14, Rs. 13 and Rs. 15.

THE SURGEON GENERAL'S CUP —Distance 1 1/4 miles.
Maharaja of Gwalior's RADIO MAN 9-2 Roberts 1
Mr. M. J. Rajpal's MOHALEBBI 8-2 Virsingh 2
Mr. M. D. Petit's KOTOR 8-0 Evans 3
Mr. E. P. A. Fernando's RATH 8-6 Burn 4
Not run: Lidsdown Sunny Dan.
Won by: Nk. S. Hd. 1 length.
Time: 2 minutes 9 2/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 56. Places Rs. 22, Rs. 27 and Rs. 15.

THE GOCULDAS TEJPAL HOSPITAL PLATE Division I—Distance 1 mile.
Maharaja of Baroda's FADILHAT AL GARB 9-2 Britt 1
Mr. N. N. Cohen's JUTLAND 7-9 Stead 2
Maharaja of Gwalior's GOLD FLAKE 8-7 Roberts 3
Raja of Akalkot and Srimant Jaysinghrao P. Ghatge's ROYAL RIVAL 8-13 Burn 4
Not run: Yisir Al Arab, Can You, Guiding Star, Prince Faisal, Amir al Khail, Muhannad.
Won by: 2 lengths, 1 length, Nk.
Time: 1 minute 51 1/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 44. Places Rs. 16, Rs. 19 and Rs. 13

THE GOCULDAS TEJPAL HOSPITAL Division II—Distance 1 mile.
Mr. F. A. Banaji's KHALAF SABHAN 7-12 Kheemsingh 1
Mr. Saleh Moosa's JASSIR 8-0 Evans 2
Maharaja of Gwalior's WELLINGTON 8-11 F. Mohd. 3
Mr. S. G. Bhopatkar's SILVER SCREEN 8-3 Brace 4
Not run: Faraj Allah, Star Brilliant, Mikhlif Jabir, Khishf al Ilah, Great Star.
Won by: 2 lengths, 2 lengths, 1 1/4 lengths.
Time: 1 minute 50 3/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 435. Places Rs. 113, Rs. 31 and Rs. 82.

THE SIR J. J. HOSPITAL PLATE Division I—Distance 5 furlongs.
H. H. The Maharaja Scindia of Gwalior's JAIWANT 8-7 Roberts 1
Messrs. Hope and Chandulal J. Shah's SUNBATHING 8-7 Evans 2
Maharaja Kumar of Morvi's GOLD LEGION 8-12 Burn 3
Lady Sherbanoo Chinoy's SILVERLINING 8-9 B. McQuade 4
Not run: Odds On, Niraly, Persepolis, Rosebud.
Won by: 3 lengths, Nk. 2 lengths.
Time: 1 minute 3 2/5 seconds.
Tote paid: Win Rs. 44. Places Rs. 17, Rs. 33 and Rs. 14.

Royal And Indian Air Force Athletics

A high standard of physical culture was witnessed at the annual athletic sports of the Royal and Indian Air Forces, held at their Signal Schools Ground, somewhere near Bombay. Sir Alwyn Ezra presided at a function which took place during the week-end and Air Commodore F. J. Vincent, Air Officer Commanding, Air Forces, Bombay, was present.

The most interesting event was the tug of war between the officers and the airmen which was won by the latter.

Sir Alwyn Ezra who has among various other benefactions donated Rs. 30,000 to the school, distributed the trophies, after the function was brought to a close with a ceremonial March Past.

Bengal For Ranji Final

CALCUTTA, Feb. 22.

Attendance was poor when the 4th day's play commenced this morning in the Ranji Trophy semi-final between Bengal and Madras at Eden Gardens. With a deficit of 216 runs and on a worn-out wicket Madras faced an uphill task. Madras second innings closed for a total score of 265 at 12.43 p.m.

Bengal won the match by a margin of 134 runs and qualified for the final of the Ranji Trophy Tournament.—A. P.

Beau Jack To Meet Al Davis

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.

Beau Jack (Sidney Walker) holder of the World's lightweight title, according to the New York State Athletic Commission, has signed to meet Al Davis in ten rounds at Madison Square Garden on March 17. Last Friday, Davis, reappearing after three years, quickly stopped Bob Montgomery, former world lightweight champion, winning a technical knockout in the first round. This was the first time Montgomery had been knocked out in 67 fights. Montgomery's defeat does not affect a titled bout with Jack on March 3.—Reuter.

INDIA AND POST-WAR CIVIL AVIATION

NEW DELHI, Feb. 22.

A British Commonwealth and Empire Conference has been taking place in London during the last few days to study war-time advances in radio development in the light of its bearing on post-war civil aviation and to examine the problems concerned in order that a useful contribution may be made to discussions with United Nations and later on an international basis, says a Press Note. Technical aspects of the question only were examined and delegates will now report their recommendations to their respective Governments.

The Chairman of the Conference was the Rt Hon. Sir Stafford Cripps, K. C. Member of Parliament, Chairman of the Radio Board.

The representatives of India at the Conference were Mr. S. Banerjee of the Posts and Telegraphs Department and Mr. K. M. Raha of the Civil Aviation Directorate.—A. P.

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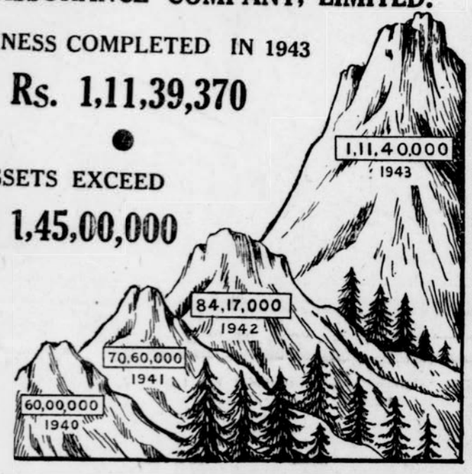

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(iii) for amounts exceeding Rs. 5,000|-.....Two months.

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RULE NO. 37

"Where a depositor wants to transfer the amount standing in his Savings Fund Account to a Fixed Deposit Account, for a period of not less than six months, the notice required under Rule 22 is not necessary even though the amount to be thus transferred exceeds Rs. 500|-. Interest is duly allowed in such cases for the days the amount remains in the Savings Fund Account notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 40."

RULE NO. 40.

"The calculation will, however, be made for each calendar month on the lowest balance at credit of an account between the close of the 5th day and the end of the month and only on every complete sum of Rs. 5|- not exceeding Rs. 20,000|- in all. No interest is allowed when it comes to less than annas four at the time of calculation." The above rules come into effect from 1st of March 1944

GENERAL MANAGER.
(7892)

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from British Subjects or subjects of Indian States for the post of Dockyard Personnel Officer H.M.I. Dockyard, Bombay. The post is tenable for the duration of the War and for such period thereafter as may be necessary. Probationary period 6 months. Pay will be fixed in the scale of Rs. 600-40-1,000 p.m. according to qualifications. The applicant must be of good social status and must possess previous experience in the administration, control, and supervision of labour in a large Industrial or Business concern. Government servants are also eligible. Applications stating age, present appointment, previous experience, salary now drawn, special qualifications (if any) should be addressed to the Director of Personnel Services, Naval Headquarters, New Delhi, so as to reach him not later than the 6th March, 1944.

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